

Decision for Categorical Exclusion
DOI-BLM-AK-F020-2014-0017-CX
Special Use Permit for
Vernon and Carol Thurneau
FF096827

Decision

It is my decision to allow the issuance of a five-year Special Use Permit to Vernon and Carol Thurneau for the purpose of continuing their customary and traditional use of an existing cabin and related structures on approximately one (1) acre of federal land under BLM case file FF096827.

Rationale

1. This action is in accordance with section 1303(b)(2) of ANILCA and with the BLM objectives of promoting efficiency in granting land use permits and protecting the quality of natural resources and preventing unnecessary environmental damage to lands.
2. There are no anticipated impacts to cultural resources.
3. The Proposed Action will not significantly restrict subsistence uses.
4. Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) will not be impacted.
5. This action will occur on lands determined to have Wilderness Characteristics but would have minimal effect and requires no further analysis.

Appeal Procedures

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of Hearings and Appeals, in accordance with 43 CFR Part 4 and DOI Form 1842-1. The notice of appeal must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management Eastern Interior Field Office (at the above address) within 30 days from receipt of this decision. Appeals from administrative decisions issued by BLM-Alaska must be filed in writing in the office of the deciding official, either by mail or hand delivery. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic means, such as facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted as timely filed.

/S/ Michelle Ethun Acting For
Lenore Heppler, Manager
Eastern Interior Field Office

11/3/2014
Date